

WROCKWARDINE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting held on Thursday 19th November 2015 at Wrockwardine Parish Hall at 7.30 p.m.

Present:

Committee Chair: Cllr. Ms. Nadine Evans
Cllrs. Ms. Elaine Anderson, Mrs Jo Savage and Mrs S. Turner.

M. Goldstraw – Clerk.

F&GP

15/16 Chairman's Opening remarks

Cllr. Ms. Evans outlined welcomed all to the meeting.

Cllr. Mrs Jo Savage was thanked for representing the Council at the Memorial of the late Cllr. Rory MacDonald which had been held earlier in the day.

15/17 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr. S. Rawlings

15/18 Declarations of interest and requests for dispensation

No declarations or requests were made.

15/19 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 15th September 2015 were confirmed and signed, by the Chairman, as a true record.

15/20 Pensions Discretions Policy

The Clerk tabled a draft Pensions Discretions Policy and informed the Meeting that The Local Government Pension Scheme regulations state that each scheme employer must formulate, publish and keep under review a Statement of Policy on certain discretions that can be exercised in relation to members of the LGPS and the policy should be shared with Shropshire County Pension Fund as the Council's Administering Authority.

Following a review of the policy it was RESOLVED to recommend to Council that the Policy be adopted and published as tabled.

15/21 Future Projects and Forward Planning

The Chair suggested that Council should undertake an updated, replacement "parish plan" and asked members to consider ideas which might be added to the new plan. The Chair agreed to begin the draft replacement.

The Meeting discussed partnerships, Street Champions and it was agreed to suggest to Council that Members might wish to invite a planning officer to one of the meetings.

15/22 Funding Opportunities

Members discussed a number of funding opportunities which might be explored for future projects.

15/23 Council Contracts

The Meeting discussed the present contract with Telford & Wrekin Services, hedge cutting arrangements etc and it was noted that the main contracts would have to be reviewed early in the new year in order to prepare tender documents.

15/24 Next Meeting

It was agreed to hold a further meeting on January 21st 2016 subject to the availability of a venue.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:15 p.m.

Signed _____
Chair

Date _____